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THE HON. DR. U. KRISHNA RAO :—" The procedure now followed is this. In every case of suspension under Rule 242 of the Motor Vehicles Act, an opportunity is given to the delinquent to show cause in writing within a specified time as to why his license should not be suspended. This explanation is duly considered as also any witnesses' statements which may be submitted. The Government have ordered that where punitive departmental action is possible, prosecution should not be launched, except for special reasons or in very grave cases."

Thiruvadi anicut.

* 178 Q.—SRI S. RADHAKRISHNAN: Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state whether there are increasing leakages in Thiruvadi anicut in South Arcot district?

THE HON. SRI N. RANGA REDDI :—" There has been no leakage after grouting was done in May last."

SRI S. RADHAKRISHNAN :—" May I know, Sir, why then so many acres of wet lands are lying waste? Is it not due to inadequate supply of water? "

MR. SPEAKER :—" The main question is with reference to leakages in Thiruvadi anicut and the Hon. Minister has answered that there has been no leakage."

Representations from the labourers in Cinchona estates, Anamalais.

* 179 Q.—SRI N. MAHALINGAM: Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government have received any representations from the labour from its Cinchona estates in the Anamalais;

(b) whether the labour are demanding supply of a pair of rugs per year; and

(c) whether the labour are demanding to and fro charges at the time of the annual recess and whether such allowances are allowed to labour in other estates?

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" (a) Yes, Sir.

" (b) The Government have sanctioned the supply of a cumbly free of cost, every year, to the workers in the Government Cinchona Plantations and the Quinine Factory.

" (c) The Government have sanctioned the payment of one way rail or bus fare from the Estate to the native village of the worker or *vice versa* plus an allowance of annas twelve per day of journey to each worker employed in the Government Cinchona Plantations and the Quinine Factory every year subject to the condition that he has worked for a period of not less than ten months on each occasion. It is understood that such allowance is allowed to workers in private estates also."

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SRI N. MAHALINGAM :—" In answer to my question (b) as to whether the labourers are demanding supply of a pair of rugs per year, the Hon. Minister is pleased to answer that the Government have sanctioned the supply of a cumbly. I request the Hon. Minister to clarify his answer? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" I said, Sir, that one cumbly was supplied."

SRI N. MAHALINGAM :—" Will the Government consider giving two cumblies to each labourer? "

THE HON. DR. R. NAGAN GOUDA :—" A good cumbly is just as good as two rugs."

Roads laid under famine relief works in Srikakulam district.

* 180 Q.—SRI G. LATCHANNA : Will the Hon. the Minister for Local Administration be pleased to state the number, length and cost of the roads laid under the scheme of famine relief works during the period from 1941 to 1945 in Srikakulam district?

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" 26 roads for a length of about 70 miles were formed during 1943–46 when test works to provide employment to Burma Evacuee labour were undertaken at a cost of about Rs. 40 lakhs in the composite Visakhapatnam district. Out of these 26 roads, 13 to a length of 54 miles had been completed and 13 remained incomplete when the relief works were closed. All the 13 incomplete roads and eight completed roads lie in the Srikakulam district. Information regarding details of the total length and the cost of the 21 roads in the Srikakulam district is not available."

SRI G. LATCHANNA :—" May I know, whether the Government are aware that all the roads, both completed and not completed, are in a dilapidated condition and that no repairs have been undertaken till to-day in spite of repeated requests? "

THE HON. SRI N. SANKARA REDDI :—" These roads have to be taken care of by the district boards. The complaint of the hon. Member will be referred to the concerned district boards."

* 181 Q.—

Assignment of lands in Allur-Nizampatam, Guntur district.

SRI T. NAGI REDDI :—" As this is an important question, I would request the Hon. Speaker to take up this question to-morrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I wish to know whether the hon. Member Sri V. Sri Krishna would agree to take up this question to-morrow? "

SRI V. SRI KRISHNA :—" I have no objection to this question being taken up to-morrow."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I will then take up this question to-morrow."